

Amendment(s) to the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Please replace the first paragraph on page 9 with the following paragraph:

- - According to a preferred embodiment, distance D between bulges 66, 68 in the lower third of the legs equals distance A at the lower end 69 of profile 60, and, consequently, is substantially equal to the distance between gripping areas 651, 671 of a pincette produced from the profile 60 when at rest, i.e. both gripping areas are distanced from each other by distance A. Permanent deformation of the pincette upon normal use can essentially be precluded in this manner. A typical pincette made from a profile of the type shown in Fig. 6 has a total length of about 90 mm, a leg thickness of about 2 mm, a leg width of about 6 mm, a closure pressure of about 200 g and a weight of 2.5 g. A general area of dimensions is between half and twice the values just mentioned. A conventionally forged pincette with comparable dimensions has a weight of at least about 6 g, typically about 8 - 9 g. - -